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Berlin, 28 August 1939

Note for State Secretary Von Weizsaecker

Ambassador OSHIMA informed me about the personality of the new Japanese Prime Minister as follows:

General ABE is 64 years of age and has had an excellent military career. He is an artillery man and served together with OSHIMA on the General Staff. Mr. ABE belonged, furthermore, for a long period of time, as a captain to a German Artillery Regiment in Thorn, and was acting as military attache in Berlin.

OSHIMA is a personal friend of General ABE and believes that he is considerably more favorable as Prime Minister than the present Prime Minister, Baron HIRANUMA. The Ambassador will get information about the other members of the cabinet which have been named up to now, War Minister ISOGAI and Navy Minister JOCHIDA, and will inform me then.

OSHIMA informed me further that in his opinion the Japanese Press is gradually returning to reason, and asked not to take the articles in the Press too tragically, /and that/ he is working as before, with all his powers, on the maintenance and improvement of German-Japanese relations.

/signed/ STAHLER

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What is this document?

We can't understand

To Mr. Francis

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伯林一九三九年八月廿八日國務卿フォンワイゼッカー
氏ニ對スル賞書

大島大使ハ日本ノ新總理大臣ノ人格ニ因シ余ニ次ノ如ク
報ジテ来タ。

所部大將ハ軍令ニテオデアツテ、軍人トシテ卓越シテ経
歴ヲ有シキル。彼ハ砲兵科出身デアリ且ツ大島ト共ニ
參謀本部ニ奉職シテキマデアツタ。更ニ所部氏ハ相当地長
期ニ亘リ「ホルン」(HORN)デ大尉トシテ独逸ノ砲兵聯隊
ニ所属シテキマコトガアリ。又伯林デ大使館ノ附陸軍武官
トシテ活躍シタコトモアツタ。

大島ハ所部大將ト個人的ニ親交ガアリ彼ノ所部ノ前
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ノニ冷静ヲ取り戻シツ、アルヒ自ラ告ケ且ツ其ノ新聞
記事ヲアマリ悲觀的ニトラヌヤウ余ニ乞フターデアツタ。
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Telegram (Secret Cipher Process)

TOKYO, 3 August 1939 20:30 hours

ARRIVAL: " " " 16:00 "

VERY SECRET

No. 335 of 3 Aug For the State Secretary Secret

Follow-up on Telegram 331 of 29 July.

On the Tientsin negotiations, well informed authorities in the Foreign Ministry have declared in the face of press reports to the contrary that a gradual agreement is definitely to be expected. The Foreign Minister is working hard for the success of the negotiations. The English Ambassador is exerting all his influence on CHAMBERLAIN for further concessions. The Sword of Damocles declarations of English statesmen are being treated lightly by the Foreign Office as being intended for English public opinion.

The army is increasingly alarmed over the danger to the alliance concept in this development. Tomorrow will take place the Five Ministers' Conference on the urging of the War Minister, who, it is said, is firmly determined to put the alliance through even at the risk of a cabinet crisis.

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AFFIDAVIT

I, W. P. Cumming, being first duly sworn on oath, depose and say:

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4. That the document to which this affidavit is attached is a true and correct photostatic copy of an original German Foreign Office document which was captured from said German Foreign Office files and archives, and which came into my possession and custody and under my control in the manner above set forth.

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/s/ W. P. Cumming
W. P. CUMMING

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of April 1946.

/s/ G. H. Garde
G. H. GARDE
Lt. Colonel, AGD
Acting Adjutant General

Office of Military
Government for Germany (U.S.)

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電報 (神宮信房氏)

東京、一九三九年八月三日

三時三十分

到着

六時十分

八月三日附子三三五号

國務秘書官宛

秘 七月二十九日附電報オ三三一号、續キ

天津交渉ニ関シテ、消息通、外務省當局、

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供 述 書

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三 余ハ一九四五年八月十五日、獨逸マールブルグ
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EXCERPT FROM IPS DOCUMENT 4047-F - Item 49
Berlin, 4 September 1939

Deputy Minister

to Pol VIII...g

DIPLOGERMA

ROME

No. 465

TELEGRAM IN CODE
(Secret Code Process)

Please inform SHIRATORI that Reich Foreign Minister
will gladly see him at the given time in Berlin. Please keep
in contact with SHIRATORI and note his departure.

WEISZCKER

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/T.N. in handwriting/ JAPAN

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一九三九年九月四日

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